



DR. JOHN MCCALL of Vicksburg, right, president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention for the past two years, presents the new president, Glenn Perry of Philadelphia.

## New MBC President Is Philadelphia Layman

By Anne W. McWilliams

"Glenn Perry is the fairest-minded man I have ever known," declared Rev. Roy Collum. "With his brilliant, keenly perceptive, analytical mind, he can help solve problems better than anybody I know."

Mr. Collum was speaking of the newly elected president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention. Now director of the state Evangelism Department, he was Mr. Perry's pastor for eleven years at First Church, Philadelphia.

Economical with his words, the short, sandy-haired new president, when he does talk, has something important to say. "When he talks," Mr. Collum says, "you'd better listen!" Though quiet and modest, he is friendly and courteous, and his blue-green eyes flash with good humor. He has an engaging smile and ready wit.

Graduate of Philadelphia High School and of Mississippi State University with a degree in civil engineering, he is in the construction business (Perry Construction Company of Philadelphia).

In the affairs of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, as well as the affairs of his own local church, he has been an active participant.

For ten years he has been on the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, and has served as the Board's president and vice-president. For eight years he has been a member of the Executive Committee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board. This year he was chairman of the Audit, Budget, and Allocations Committee. After Dr. Chester Quarles' death, Mr. Perry was a member of the committee appointed to recommend a new executive secretary. Several years ago he was a member of a special Christian Education Study Committee. He was a member of the Building Advisory Committee (not the Building Committee itself) for construction of the new Baptist Building. For eight years or more he was either member or chairman of the Assemblies Committee. It was he who was chosen by the committee to bid

## SBC Mission Gifts Are Up 2.66% For '70

NASHVILLE (BP)—An increase of 6.5 per cent in missions giving during the month of October boosted Southern Baptists contributions through the Cooperative Program unified budget for the first 10 months of 1970 to a total of \$23½ million.

The total for the year represents an increase of \$609,824 or 2.66 per cent for Cooperative Program contributions thus far in 1970, compared to gifts for the same period in 1969.

Porter W. Routh, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee which prepares the monthly financial report, said that the 6.5 per cent increase during the month of October "is an encouraging demonstration of continued concern of Baptists for missionary outreach, theological education and other SBC programs."

"If this rate of growth continues for November and December," Routh continued, "the convention will be able to meet its commitment to the agencies for operations and pay some on the 1970 capital commitment."

The Cooperative Program unified budget distributes operating and capital needs funds to 20 different national agencies in the denomination on a convention-adopted formula.

For the first 10 months of 1970, Southern Baptists gave \$23,567,467 to

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for the property on the coast when Gulfshore was bought. In the auction of land on Henderson Point November 7, 1968, the government reserved the right to reject any and all bids.

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A record crowd of 12,000 completely filled the Mississippi Coliseum for the Youth Night session of the State Convention on Nov. 12.

## Education Committee Report Adopted By Convention

The report of the Education Study Committee, appointed at last year's Convention, to report at this year's session, was adopted by the body. The full text follows:

When this Convention in the session of 1969 authorized the President of the Convention to appoint a committee of seven to be charged with the responsibility of re-defining the over-all educational purpose of our convention and to recommend to the 1970 Convention a "feasible program of Christian education and the number and type of institutions necessary to carry out this program," the way was opened for study of a subject that has claimed the attention of this Convention nearly every year since its organization. To be historically correct, the subject of education claimed the attention of Baptists in Mississippi before the convention was organized. Let us take a paragraph from the report of the Long Range Committee on Christian Education made in 1967 found on page 138 of the 1967 Annual of the Convention:

"As early as 1817, 19 years before the Mississippi Baptist Convention was organized, the Mississippi Baptist Association adopted a plan for raising a fund, for the special purpose of promoting the proper education of pious young men called to the great and important work of the gospel ministry." Baptists never seem to act hastily. In 1835, the Mississippi Baptist Education Society was organized for the purpose of establishing an institution for Christian education. The society was granted a charter in 1836 by the state legislature to operate Judson Institute. From the very beginning, the Institute encountered difficulty—it was first located at Society Ridge, near Pocahontas, then it was moved to Palestine Church near Raymond."

Two other paragraphs from that same report will further verify our findings on the continuing interest and concern of Mississippi Baptists for quality Christian education. On page 139 of the 1967 Annual it is recorded:

"From the beginning, then, the Baptists of the state have had an uncommon interest in education. During the first years of the reorganized Baptist State Convention the story is one of struggles, frustrations, failures, and mediocrity. The acquisition of Mississippi College in 1850 started the Baptists of Mississippi on a program of

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### Convention Elects New Officers



THE STATE CONVENTION last week elected new officers for 1971, from left: Rev. John McDonald, Jackson, associate recording secretary; Dr. Joe Tuten, Jackson, second vice-president; Glenn Perry, Philadelphia, president; Rev. Roy Raddin, Greenville, first vice-president, and Horace Kerr, Jackson, recording secretary.

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## Baptists Respond To Challenges

Mississippi Baptists, in annual session last week, overwhelmingly responded to the challenge of their leaders "to go forward" and "dedicate themselves to making 1971 inaugurate a new decade for God."

Dr. John G. McCall, of Vicksburg, in the keynote address at the opening session, set the tone of the meeting with the statement "that in our time we must keep marching."

Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, executive secretary, in a major address Tuesday evening, said that "with the social revolution of the 1960's behind us, I believe we are in a new day of opportunities."

He challenged the messengers present to "set ourselves in our churches to an increase of 10 percent in church attendance, Bible school attendance and baptisms for 1971."

The messengers enthusiastically responded by rising to their feet. Rev. Herman Milner, Jackson, in

the convention sermon, declared that "we must continue to proclaim the message of the early church as Paul declared it on Mars Hill."

The Resolutions Committee, in the final business session Thursday morning, referred to the challenges laid down to the convention and urged full acceptance. The body responded overwhelmingly in the affirmative.

Other speakers, both local and visiting, likewise presented challenges to the group.

In major action the convention elected a layman, Glenn Perry, of

Philadelphia, as president and adopted a record-high Cooperative Program budget of \$4,265,000 for 1971.

In other action the body again refused to interfere with the authority of the trustees of its institutions to administer them.

The Convention did this by rejecting two proposed amendments to its constitution which would, in effect, restrict the powers of the trustees.

The first proposed amendment would have restricted the powers of the trustees by adding to their traditional constitutional limitations, "the Convention itself."

The other proposed amendment stated that "no federally funded program shall be approved or administered by the trustees of the respective institutions without specific Convention approval."

Those two proposed amendments were presented at last year's convention and referred to the committee on

The convention came to a highly successful close on Thursday night in the Mississippi Coliseum when a record high attendance of 12,000 jammed the facility, with hundreds of others not able to get in.

The service, attended mostly by young people from every section of the state, opened with a spectacular feature with a patriotic note, and closed with about 60 young people responding to the invitation extended by the featured speaker, Ed Seabough of Atlanta.

constitution and by-laws.

This committee, Rev. Van Hardin, Leakesville, chairman, reported the proposals this year with the recommendation that they not be passed.

The Convention adopted the report of its Christian Education Study Committee, appointed a year ago to recommend to the 1970 Convention "a feasible program of Christian education and the number and type of institutions necessary to carry out this program."

The lengthy report was concluded with a series of nine recommendations which were centered in requesting the convention to begin a program designed to give continuing emphasis to Christian education which will stimulate cooperative giving and thus make possible greater dollar support for the schools and recommending that each school begin a development program to be coordinated by the convention's Education Commission.

The report also recommended that the Education Commission take a more active role in establishing a president's council with regular meetings of the administrative leadership of the schools, in faculty exchanges and sharing of curriculum and campus facilities.

Other officers elected by the convention were Rev. Roy Raddin, Greenville, first vice-president; Dr. Joe Tuten, Jackson, second vice-president; Horace Kerr, Jackson, recording secretary, and Rev. John McDonald, Jackson, associate recording secretary.

The Convention adopted the report of the Assemblies Study Committee which asked that the committee be continued for another year and that the committee be charged with responsibility of considering in detail the practicality of the Convention establishing and owning an assembly.

This committee, a Convention Board committee authorized by the Convention, is chaired by Dr. Beverly Trinnin, Meridian.

The convention adopted the report (Continued on page 2)

### NORTHERN PLAINS CONVENTION ADOPTS \$293,605 1971 BUDGET

BISMARCK, N. C. (BP)—The Northern Plains Baptist Convention meeting here adopted a 1971 budget of \$293,605, voting to increase its allocations to world missions through the Southern Baptist Cooperative Program by one per cent.

The budget will allocate \$13,727 to Southern Baptist world mission causes, and will include a goal of \$105,591 to be raised from the 81 churches in the four-state area—North and South Dakota, Wyoming and Montana.

W. J. Hughes was re-elected president of the convention, which will meet next year at Capitol Heights Baptist Church, Pierre, S.D., Nov. 9-11.

### Tennessee Acts In Dancing Case

## Major Actions Mark Conventions

JACKSON, Tenn. (BP)—Rejecting a compromise proposal, the Tennessee Baptist Convention adopted a substitute motion here asking trustees of Carson-Newman College in Jefferson City, Tenn., to rescind their policy allowing dancing on the Baptist campus.

Messengers to the convention overwhelmingly approved the substitute motion which endorsed and affirmed action by the convention's Executive Board on May 12 requesting the trustees to reverse their decision permitting social dancing on campus.

Baptists in the state have been in an uproar over the issue since the news broke last March that the trustees voted to permit chaperoned dances as part of the school's social program.

The convention action was taken on a motion made by Howard Kolb, pastor of Audubon Park Baptist Church in Memphis, who told the convention the Carson-Newman trustees had already had six months to act on the May request of the Executive Board, but they "have ignored the request... and have tried to circumvent the Executive Board."

Kolb offered his motion reaffirming the board's May 12 request as a substitute for a compromise proposal offered by the Executive Board.

The compromise would have asked the education committee of the Ex-

ecutive Board to study the social needs of the students at Carson-Newman and bring recommendations to the board prior to the 1971 convention, and that findings be reported to the convention.

Earlier, the Carson-Newman trustees had asked the convention to appoint a committee to study the social program at all three colleges owned by the Tennessee Baptist Convention.

About a week before the convention, the school's trustees met again and revised their request narrowing the filed of the committee of study to Carson-Newman only. The revised request also stated that the trustees resolve to "withhold their sanction of dancing on campus."

Some convention observers questioned whether the phrase "withhold" (Continued On Page 3)

## Foreign Mission Board Names Eight Lay Missionaries

RICHMOND (BP)—The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board appointed four couples to overseas posts, heard its executive secretary call for keeping the channels of giving for mission causes wide open, and added an assistant business manager to its headquarters staff during its November meeting here.

The new missionaries are Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Erwin of Concord, Tenn., appointed to Zambia; Mr. and Mrs. James C. Harless of Wake Forest, N. C., to Nigeria; Mr. and Mrs. Bob G. Magee of New Orleans, to Chile; and Mr. and Mrs. Shelley P. Richardson of Nashville, to Peru.

All are laymen. One couple is as-

signed to do agricultural work, another for camp and recreation ministries, a third for church music development, and a fourth for work with students.

Executive Secretary Baker J. Cauten told the board members that "a victorious Lottie Moon Christmas Offering will be an inspiration to Baptists all across the (Southern Baptist) Convention and will serve to reaffirm the missionary convictions of Southern Baptists and call us forward to the great task which our Lord has commanded."

Financial pressures are great and many claims are being made upon (Continued On Page 2)



## Special Presentations At The Convention



Dr. Porter Routh, executive secretary, Executive committee, SBC, at right, presents a gavel to Dr. John McCall. The gavel, from Uganda, is made of wood native to that country. Gavels from different countries were presented to all state presidents during conventions this fall, representing mission work supported by the Cooperative Program.



Dr. Huggins, left, presents a special plaque to Dr. Edwina Robinson, who will retire next May 1 as executive secretary, Woman's Missionary Union, Mississippi. Dr. Robinson has worked with the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board since 1933 and as WMU executive secretary since 1944. Miss Marjean Patterson, right, has been chosen as her successor. The plaque is a WMU emblem in silver against a black background.



Dr. Huggins, left, presents a plaque to Dr. W. P. Davis, who will retire September, 1971 as director of the Department of Work with National Baptists, a position he has held since 1957. Rev. Richard Brogan, right, has been elected to succeed Dr. Davis.



Dr. W. Douglas Huggins, left, executive secretary, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, presents to Dr. John McCall, president, Mississippi Baptist Convention, 1969-1970, the presidential plaque.

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of its Committee on Time, Place and Preacher and will meet in 1971 on November 9-11 at First Baptist Church in Jackson.

Dr. Brooks Wester, pastor of First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, was selected to preach the sermon with the alternate to be Rev. Larry Rohman, pastor of First Baptist Church, Jackson.

The Convention Thursday morning voted to ask the Education Commission to study and consider charges that were made in a motion concerning un-Christian conduct which allegedly exists among many of the students and some of the faculty members of the Baptist colleges of the state. The motion was presented by Rev. Hershel Markham, pastor of Williamsburg Baptist Church near Collins, on behalf of the church.

The motion, which asked that convention funds allocated to the colleges be withheld for a period of at least 60 days until "these un-Christian conditions have been removed or in the process," after some debate, was tabled.

A motion to have the president appoint a committee to consider the charges was defeated in favor of the motion to have the Education Commission study and consider them.

The Education Commission has general oversight of the convention's education program.

The Mississippi Baptist Convention is scheduled to have its first official history published by 1972, according to the report of the convention's Historical Commission.

Preparation of copy has been underway since 1968 under direction of Dr. R. A. McLemore, executive director of the commission, and is now ready for the publisher.

He has been assisted in its preparation by Dr. Earl Kelly, Jackson, Dr. C. B. Hamlet III, Hattiesburg, and Rev. Joe Abrams, Clinton.

The Convention authorized the sending of a telegram to Archie Manning, then in Baptist Memorial Hospital, recognizing his splendid example to all the nation as a Christian athlete, and assuring him of the prayerful remembrance of the convention and wishing for him a speedy recovery.

Mr. Manning, himself a Baptist and star athlete at Ole Miss, is recovering from a broken arm received in a recent football game.

The committee on committees for next year's convention was appointed as follows:

Dr. Robert L. Hamblin, Tupelo; Rev. Tom Dunlap, Natchez; Rev. George Meadows, Hazlehurst; John Roberts, Jackson and Sydney Parker, Magee.

The Convention adopted a recommendation of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws as published in the 1969 Annual, pages 41 and 42, Item (21) be approved.

The Convention adopted a recommendation of the Convention Board that the convention continue to meet in Jackson because of adequate facilities for meals and lodging.

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The Convention voted to express appreciation to Paul Adams of Starkville, who has served the body as recording secretary, but who is leaving soon for service in Tennessee.

Miss Carolyn Madison was recognized by Dr. Huggins in the State Work Presentation on Tuesday night for her 30 years of service in the Sunday School Department and Grady Blackwell was recognized for his service at Gulfshore.

Memorial resolutions were read on behalf of Dr. E. C. Williams, former state Sunday School secretary, who died Aug. 13, 1970, and Rev. Martin J. Gilbert, former secretary of the Department of Rural Church Work, who died May 5, 1970.

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and after consideration, to announce the successful bidder at a later date.

First, the auctioneer sold the land as a whole. Several groups were in on the bidding in the beginning. Most soon dropped out as the bidding passed a couple of hundred thousand. For the Baptists, Glenn Perry did the bidding. He whittled while he bid.

"Four hundred fifty thousand," the auctioneer cried. "And who'll make it four fifty-one?" Four fifty one. Four fifty two. Four fifty three times. And successfully bid by the Baptists.

Mr. Perry could take a deep breath and stick his knife back in his pocket. But for a long time his nickname was "Whittlin' Glenn."

At First Church, Philadelphia, he is a deacon and teacher of a men's Bible class in Sunday School. He formerly served as superintendent of training, chairman of deacons, chairman of the Finance Committee, and in many other capacities. Since he was converted during a revival at age 11, he has been a member of that

same church. Rev. W. W. Kyzar baptized him while he was pastor there. In Boy Scout work, Mr. Perry is very active, both at the local and district level.

For fun, he would choose fishing, but he says he doesn't have time to do much of it.

The new president was born in Leake County, near Edinburg, the son of Walter Lafayette and Joyce Weir Perry. His family moved to Philadelphia when he was one.

He is married to the former Doris Beery, also of Philadelphia, whose father worked with the U. S. Bureau of Indian Affairs. Mrs. Perry is president of the WMU at First Church and sings in the choir.

The Perrys have five children, Barbara, 20; Mike, 18; Janet, 12; Sylvia, 10; and Tommy, 7. Barbara, who is now Mrs. P. C. McLaurin, Jr., is a senior at Mississippi State, Starkville; Mike is a sophomore at Antioch-Columbia.

The Mississippi Baptist Convention could not have elected a finer layman for president.

## Convention Board To Meet Nov. 24

The annual post-convention meeting of the State Convention Board will be held at the Baptist Building in Jackson Tuesday, Nov. 24 at 2:00 p.m.

Officers of the board will be elected and an executive committee chosen in addition to any other necessary business.

der the old system.

In addition to the about \$40,000 savings annually from the cutdown in staff, a savings of about \$7,400 has been realized in postal expense.

Clark said the plastic wrapping was chosen for use because of its clarity (labels are inside the wrapping); its strength; the ease with which it seals; its ability to stretch and return; and resistance to cracking and tearing.

He also said that when plastic wrapping was begun, a changeover to the use of plastic strapping in place of wire was necessitated. Packages with plastic wrapping often were damaged by the wire.

Far from being a sin, an inquiring faith fosters curiosity, enlightened concern, and new commitment. — C. W. Brister in "Dealing with Doubt," a Broadman book.

## Plastic Wrapping Helps To Keep Literature Prices Down

The church literature department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board is fighting inflation with efficiency — and plastic packaging and strapping are the latest weapons used in the battle.

The change in packaging methods already has produced an annual savings of about \$47,400, reports James Clark, manager of the church literature department.

"Over the past several years, we have made a diligent effort to find ways of reducing our operating costs...to keep our prices as low as possible," Clark said.

He also noted that costs of producing and providing the literature are rising constantly because of inflation, but that efficient methods such as the plastic packaging and wrapping have allowed the board to keep prices much lower than would have otherwise been possible.

Clark said the board's prices are

"significantly below most publishers' prices and not significantly above any others."

The church literature department manager said the savings have been realized through cutting of wrapping costs and mailing costs.

A total of only nine persons handle the packaging operation now. Prior to the changeover, 27 persons were required.

Two persons are required to run the plastic wrapping machine and seven other wrap odd-sized parcel in kraft paper by hand. The remainder of the 27 were reassigned to other positions.

A total of about 2.5 million packages a year are mailed out from the board.

With the new system, up to 60 packages a minute can be wrapped. Currently, a rate of about 32 packages a minute is being maintained, as opposed to 26 per minute maximum under

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monies available at the local church level. Cauthean pointed out. Therefore, suggestions are made frequently to hold back funds from convention causes and use them for local church needs, he said.

"What does that do?" Cauthean asked. "It sets off a movement that says let's not consider needs beyond our own. But I believe a spiritual response goes the other way."

Ward S. Hildreth Jr., who has been graphic arts director for the board since 1962, was named assistant business manager, effective Nov. 15. In the newly created position, he will assist the business manager, Elbert L. Wright and will review business office operations and conduct studies of purchasing costs.

Hildreth was graduated from Richmond Professional Institute (now Virginia Commonwealth University) here. He was staff artist and designer for a Richmond advertising company for five years before joining the board's staff.

In another action, the board voted to transfer missionary field representative A. Clark Scanlon from the Caribbean area to the Middle America area, effective Jan. 1. He will be field representative for Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, Costa Rica and the Baptist Spanish Publishing House in El Paso, Tex.

Scanlon and his family currently live in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

Southern Baptist missionaries in Chile, where a Marxist has been elected president, "have been looking forward to the continuing of their efforts with full dedication," reported Winston Crawley, the board's Overseas Division director. "They have no plans for exodus," he added.

Crawley, who returned recently from a 17-day visit with missionaries in six South American countries, said that Salvador Allende's electoral plurality Sept. 4 was followed by rumors of a possible outbreak of civil strife. "Now things are settling down more," Crawley said. Allende was inaugurated as Chile's president Nov. 4. With the appointment of Mr. and Mrs. Magee, 53 Southern Baptists

are under Foreign Mission Board assignment to Chile.

Missionaries in Uruguay, where guerrillas have killed one U. S. government representative and are holding another captive, "are moving ahead with their work in spite of the situation" and are experiencing "no serious immediate pressures," Crawley reported. He also visited missionaries in Paraguay, Argentina, Brazil and Peru.

The board voted to invite L. Jack Gray, professor of missions at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, to serve as pastor of the English-language Baptist Church in Blantyre, Malawi, beginning in June 1971.

## Student Night At Christmas: Opportunity For Communication

NASHVILLE — "Student Night at Christmas is an opportunity for church members to learn of the positive witness of students on campus today when a small minority of reactionary students are getting large press coverage."

The statement was made by Charles Roselle, secretary of the student department at the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board in describing the need for Student Night at Christmas programs in local churches.

Roselle noted that positive reports

from Christian students could go far in affirming for church members that reactionary students are only a minority group and that many Christian students are bearing a significant witness on campus.

Theme for the services will be "Freedom to Be" with program guidelines suggesting related testimonies by students on topics such as "I Want to Be Free," "Freedom in Christ," and "Freedom Expressed." Slated for Sunday, Dec. 27, Student Night at Christmas is "to give stu-

dents an opportunity to report about or share the activities of Baptist Student Union and other Christian witness with the churches," Roselle added.

"It also is to give prospective students an awareness of what to expect on the various campuses."

The department secretary urged that churches plan for a Student Night at Christmas program, contacting students and naming committees to organize the program during November and conduct planning ses-

sions during the Thanksgiving holidays when many of the students from college will be home.

The student department also is urging the staging of Student Night at Christmas programs as a basis for organization of Adults Away departments in the local churches and for maintaining contact with the students throughout the year.

A special Student Night at Christmas bulletin is available from the Baptist Bulletin Service, 127 Ninth Ave., North, Nashville, Tenn. 37203.

Student Night at Christmas information packets are being mailed to all Southern Baptist churches. The packets, which contain information on and guidelines for conducting the programs, should arrive at the churches about Nov. 1.

Should a church not receive a packet, it may be obtained by writing the student department at the board or the student department of the various state conventions.



DR. W. DOUGLAS HUGGINS presents new pastors and workers who have come to serve in Mississippi during the past year.



SOUTHERN BAPTIST MISSIONARIES, both home and foreign, present at the Convention, are presented during the Wednesday evening session.



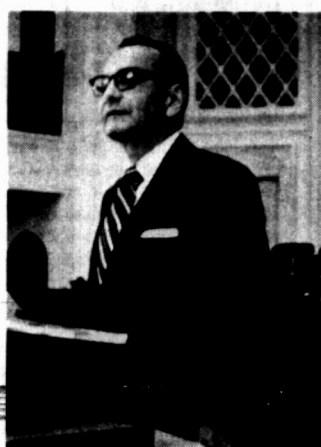
## Men's Conference Banquet Held

The annual banquet of the Mississippi Baptist Men's Conference was held late Monday afternoon of last week at Parkway Church in Jackson. Several present were, from left: Clifton Wilson, Jackson, who presided; Rev. Lee Franklin, of Millbrook, Ala., speaker; Rev. E. L. Howell, Jackson, director of Brotherhood Department; Rev. Guy Henderson, missionary to Korea, and Dr. Bill Causey, host pastor.





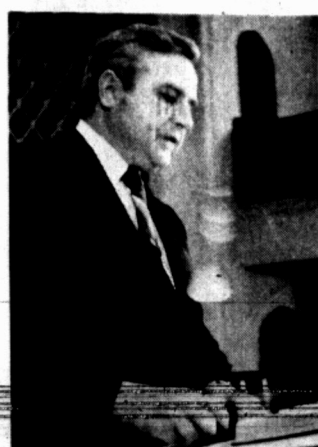
Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, executive secretary, Mississippi Baptist Convention board, preaches on state missions night.



Dr. John McCall, pastor, First, Vicksburg, presides as Convention president for second consecutive year.



Rev. Herman A. Milner, pastor, Van Winkle, Jackson, delivers the Convention sermon.



Dr. Joe Tuten, pastor, Calvary, Jackson, leads the Bible study.



Dr. Duke McCall, president, Southern Seminary, speaks on seminary education.

## Speakers On The Convention Platform

Representative of the dozens who spoke from the platform of First Church, Jackson, during the 1970 meeting of the Mississippi Baptist Convention November 10-12 are those pictured here.



Jack Stanton presents Southern Baptists' new evangelism program.



Rev. Van Hardin presents the report of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.



Alex McKeigney gives the Education Commission report.



Dr. Robert Hamblin gives the Convention Board report.



Guy Henderson, missionary, gives a glance at missions in Korea.



Fred Moseley represents the Home Mission Board.



Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary, Foreign Mission Board, delivers the main address on Wednesday night.



James Robison, in the closing inspirational message, speaks about Christian witnessing.

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sanction of dancing" was virtually the same as to "rescind" the policy.

He also opposed churches cutting off funds from the school because of the policy, saying it was a form of blackmail. Before the convention, it was reported that about 100 churches within the convention had indicated intention to designate their unified budget contributions so that none of their funds would go to Carson - Newman.

The dancing issue overshadowed the only other major convention actions—adoption of a \$5.6 million budget for 1971, the same amount as the 1970 budget, and the election of Hayward Highfill, pastor of First Baptist, Clinton, Tenn., as president.

No increase was recommended in the budget by the Executive Board because the receipts are about \$135,000 short of the goal for 1970. It is

the first time in 10 years that the convention is expected to fail to reach its budget goal.

Next year, the convention will meet at Gatlinburg, Tenn., Nov. 9-11.

### Kentucky Convention Home For Aged Proposal Rejected

LOUISVILLE (EP) — Messengers to the 133rd annual session of the Kentucky Baptist Convention accepted a report from its Executive Board rejecting a proposed home for the aged which would operate under the convention's child care board.

The convention also approved appointment of a committee to study the office of executive secretary and recommend a nominee to succeed Executive Secretary Harold Sanders who retires in August of 1972.

The proposed home for the aged was recommended following a feasibility study requested by the convention meeting last year. The Executive Board's program committee and the child care board of directors recommended the program, but the board rejected the request by a two to one margin.

In other action, the convention called for member churches to accept responsibility for educating members to the dangers of pornography, drug abuse and pollution.

The convention also went on record as opposed to "direct aid to non-public schools" by government, and President Richard M. Nixon's "occasional Vatican visitor" appointment.

Also approved was a lengthy sex education bibliography for use in churches or schools.

Resolutions adopted by the convention commended President Nixon for rejecting the report of the President's Commission on Obscenity and Pornography, called for all members to practice and work for "clean speech" in mass media and private life, and urged Evangelist Billy Graham to accept an invitation to hold a crusade at the University of Kentucky.

A \$100,000 increase was approved in the convention's budget for the coming year, raising the total budget to \$4.2 million. Of this amount, 31.3 per cent will go to world mission causes through the Southern Baptist Cooperative Program.

### California Retains Prohibition Against Alien Immigration

RIVERSIDE, Calif. (BP) — Rejecting two constitutional amendments which would eliminate restrictions against accepting messengers from churches which practice alien immigration and open communion, the Southern Baptist General Convention of California could not agree on what the term "alien immigration" really means.

In other major actions, the Califor-

nia convention observed its 30th anniversary, adopted a record budget, and approved a policy statement on federal aid to Baptist institutions in the states prohibiting grants and subsidized loans, but permitting loans "at a going rate of interest" and aid to individual students.

The alien immigration and open communion issues continued a controversy that started a year ago when 1969 convention in Santa Monica appointed a committee to define alien immigration.

The two constitution amendments also were introduced last year, but no action could be taken until 1970. They were aimed at eliminating a section on membership which states that "messengers shall not be seated in this convention from any church that receives persons with alien immigration or practices what is commonly called open communion."

The constitution amendments failed when the vote was evenly divided, but not enough for the two - third majority necessary to pass.

Adopting the report of its committee to recommend a policy on federal aid to its institutions, the convention ruled out government grants and low-interest loans.

The committee report approved, however, of long-term government loans "at a going interest rate" and grants and loans to individual students. Such programs, the committee said, do not violate the Baptist principle of separation of church and state.

In a series of resolutions adopted by the convention, the messengers commended President Richard M. Nixon for his efforts in behalf of American prisoners of war and for his rejection of the report of the Presidential Commission on Obscenity and Pornography; but they were critical of the president for appointing a personal representative to the Vatican.

The \$2.7 million budget for 1971 adopted by the convention includes a state Cooperative Program goal of nearly \$1.4 million, an increase of about \$40,000. Southern Baptist Convention world mission causes will receive 26 per cent.

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the programs of these agencies through the Cooperative Program, compared to \$22.9 million for the same period during 1969.

During the month of October, Cooperative Program contributions totaled \$2,516,171, an increase of \$154,986 or 6.56 per cent over gifts during October of 1969.

In addition to undesignated funds through the Cooperative Program, Southern Baptists gave a total of \$21.7 million to designated specific mission causes during the first 10 months of the year.

Designated gifts were down slightly compared to designations for the first 10 months of 1970. Last year, design-

### Baptist VIEWpoll

## No Consensus Of Baptist Leaders On Reorganizing The Annual SBC Meeting

By Kenneth Hayes

NASHVILLE (BP)—In the Baptist VIEWpoll's latest survey, a representative panel of pastors and Sunday School teachers failed to agree on suggestions for reorganizing the Southern Baptist Convention's annual meeting.

Responding to indications that some are dissatisfied with the convention's annual meeting as it is now structured, VIEWpoll posed this question to the representative panel: "The suggestion has been made that the large annual Southern Baptist Convention meeting has become unworkable because of size and complexity. Several suggestions for reorganization have been offered. Please indicate the one suggestion . . . which seems most practical to you." Six alternatives were listed from which one choice was made.

The largest portion of pastors 21.0 per cent felt that "a further limiting of the number of messengers" was the best solution suggested, but only 20.5 per cent of the teachers liked this suggestion.

The largest portion of teachers 32.9 per cent countered that the "election of representatives from various states to conduct convention business" appealed most to them. However, only 8.0 per cent of the pastors liked this suggestion.

"A general meeting every other year" was found to be attractive to 12.9 per cent of the pastors and 10.7 per cent of the teachers.

The suggestion that "a convention of simultaneous state meetings connected by closed circuit television be held" had little appeal for 6.9 per cent of pastors and 8.9 per cent of teachers.

"None of the above suggestions seem practical" to 17.8 per cent of the pastors and 5.2 per cent of the Sunday School teachers.

The fact that 23.4 per cent of the pastors and 21.8 per cent of the teachers would express no opinion on the matter of reorganization would tend to indicate either a reluctance to reveal their true feelings, a lack of

prior consideration of or desire for reorganization or inability to know how to constructively deal with the situation.

Write-in suggestions for reorganization included regional meetings only,

regional meetings with periodic general conventions and seating of messengers only.

Current VIEWpoll findings are based on 92 per cent response of the panel members.

## TV Series Against Smoking Effective, Report Reveals

NEW YORK (RNS)—The American Cancer Society has reported a "significant decline" in cigarette smoking among viewers of a TV series on "Why You Smoke" aired last March over the National Educational Television network.

A survey to determine results of the series showed a drop of 8.3 per cent in the number of smokers and a reduction of 7 per cent in total cigarette consumption among viewers of the program.

Lieberman Research, Inc. of New York, which conducted the survey, told the annual meeting of the American Cancer Society here that the series "was effective in getting some people to stop smoking."

Funded by the Society, the series was aimed at reducing cigarette smoking as a cause of lung cancer and other diseases. It involved audience participation through a smokers' self-test to help individuals understand why they smoked.

The study included a sampling of 7,177 viewers and non-viewers from 11 metropolitan areas contacted immediately after the telecasts, and 425 others who were queried again in July.

According to the report 12 per cent of the TV population surveyed the programs. The data revealed that smokers who quit entirely stayed off the habit, but those who merely "cut down" tended to go back to their original levels of smoking.

STRANGE THINGS HAPPENED...



"CALL MY WIFE AND TELL HER TO FORGET THE ULCER MEDICINE—THERE WERE NO CONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTIONS!"

## N. Y. Southern Baptists Cite Growth In Year

ROCHESTER, N. Y. (RNS) — The New York Southern Baptist Convention, marking its first anniversary of organized work at the annual meeting here, pledged to expand activities in the next year and reported on growth during the past year.

Some 21 pastors and church staff members who have joined the state body since it was formed last October were introduced at the session. Six new churches and 12 new chapels have been organized since October.

The new convention—which includes New York, southwest Connecticut and northern New Jersey—adopted a \$510,000 mission budget. It calls for an 18 per cent total increase in Cooperative Programs and other mission giving through the state convention.

Members of the convention were praised for their efforts in organization and in evangelism, which has resulted in 820 baptisms (conversions) in the last 10 months.

Rev. Gene Fant of Dunkirk, N. Y., former Mississippian, was elected president. He succeeds Kenneth Lyle, superintendent of metropolitan missions in New York City, who declined nomination for a second term.

Messengers to the second annual session adopted a resolution calling for a new Presidential Commission on Obscenity and Pornography. It also authorized selection of a convention missions director, with appointment to be made, possibly in January.



FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MEMORY, A RECESS  
WAS DECLARED WEDNESDAY MORNING!

## "The Day Of March Has Come"

"Lead on, O King Eternal

The day of march has come. . . These words from a familiar hymn have been ringing in my heart since the close of the Mississippi Baptist Convention last Thursday. It seems to me that the meaning and impact of this convention as well as any words that I know.

This was a united convention. It took a serious look at itself and its work, and heard the clarion call, "Let's begin to move forward for God." I am convinced that messengers returned home with a determination to do just that.

Never have we seen a finer manifestation of unity in a meeting of Mississippi Baptists. We know of no divisive issues in the fellowship. We are together on message, and methods, and purpose. Some state Baptist conventions are struggling with doctrinal problems; others with polity or program. Reports from other state convention meetings, some of which are published in this issue of the Record, reveal how these surfaced in this year's meetings.

Nothing like this is evident among Mississippi Baptists. There are no major doctrinal differences in our fellowship. While there are some problems concerning the way to give worthy support to, and in the best ministry of our institutions, there appears to be little division on the idea that we are behind them, and intend to keep them, and strengthen them in every way possible. There is unity in support of the leadership of the convention, and in trust of the boards and agencies. There is no evidence of Sectionalism, and as splendid a fellowship among pastors and laymen as we ever have seen exists right now.

Moreover, while most Mississippi Baptist churches and the convention agencies, have not made spectacular progress in the past few years, neither have they lost much ground. In this day when the trend across the nation seems to be the decline of the churches, especially in some denominations, this is not the experience in Mississippi, except in some rural churches which have suffered losses because of shifting population. Reports at the convention indicated splendid progress in the institutions, and gave evidence of a sound situation in the churches. The need seemed to be simply to begin to move forward for the Lord at an accelerated pace. Out of this convention came the challenge to do just that.

This note was introduced in the president's message at the opening session, and was re-emphasized by the convention sermon in the same session, the latter pointing to the foundations upon which advance must be made. The theme was keynoted in the challenging message from the convention Executive Secretary, Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, at

the state missions session on Tuesday night. It was confirmed and undergirded by other addresses throughout the meeting, and climaxed in a searching appeal for Christian witness by evangelist James Robison of Texas, at the closing regular session on Thursday morning.

Dr. Hudgins brought the call to action into pointed form in his Tuesday evening message. He called upon Mississippi Baptists to set themselves to achieve in 1971 a ten percent advance in church attendance, in Bible teaching outreach and in evangelism, and to begin to pray, preach, and teach for the enlistment of new workers for the Lord's harvest fields. While he did not say so, it was evident that his feeling was that if we begin to move in these areas, advance will come in every other phase of the work.

Neither Dr. Hudgins nor any other speaker suggested setting up any kind of new program or campaign to achieve the suggested goals, but rather challenged the messengers to return to their own fields, set those and other goals they may choose before their people, and then to begin to move toward reaching them, using the resources and programs they already have.

The response of the messengers was immediate. A standing audience approved of and accepted the goals suggested by the Executive Secretary, and later a resolution concerning them was unanimously adopted. It seemed evident that messengers would return to their fields determined to do something about them, and it is hoped that the enthusiasm and action of those who were messengers, will reach every church, until the impact of the meeting will be felt all across the state.

These are most reasonable goals and are based entirely upon the commission of Christ under which we already are working. The goals can be reached. God is ready to bless churches in seeking to enlist their people, to enlarge their outreach in Bible teaching and evangelism, and in hearing their prayers for spiritual revival and the touching of hearts. Let pastors and leaders call the churches to prayer and dedication now, and the impact of this convention will be felt for years to come.

In the Old Testament there is a wonderful story of how God guided David as to when to move into battle by "the sound of a going in the tops of the mulberry trees." (2 Sam. 5:24) David was instructed by God that when this sound was heard, "then thou shalt bestir thyself: for then shall the Lord go out before thee."

We believe that the "sound of a going" was heard at the 1970 Mississippi Baptist Convention. We believe that it is time for Mississippi Baptists to "bestir" themselves. The "day of march has come."

## Convention Miscellanea

Many outstanding men have served as president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, but we doubt if any man has excelled Dr. John McCall, in able leadership, in wisdom in decision, in fairness, and in Christian spirit. This beloved pastor, who has served the convention for the past two years, deserves the accolades of the entire fellowship. His was a task well done.

The place of laymen in Mississippi Baptist life is revealed in many ways, so that it would be impossible to enumerate them. One of the finest things which this convention does in recognition of lay leadership, is the practice of alternating the presidency of the convention between pastors and laymen. Chosen to serve for the coming year is one of Mississippi's most worthy laymen, Glen Perry of Philadelphia. A successful business man, and a proven leader in his own church, Mr. Perry already has given Mississippi Baptists long and devoted service through various committees and boards. In this new place of responsibility he will be giving even greater service during the coming year. The convention is most wise in using its laymen in this manner. This is just one of the numerous

ways that lay leadership is recognized and used.

Success is creating real problems in relation to the annual Youth Night at the close of the state convention. Attendance continues to grow each year, and there is no auditorium in Mississippi large enough to hold all who wish to attend. This year there were about 12,000 inside the Mississippi Coliseum for the service, with at least 2,000 of these standing, or sitting on steps and floor. However, another 2,000 to 3,000 were in the halls, unable to get into the service. The meeting has become so popular and effective, and makes such a spiritual impact that it grows each year, but the growth has created problems for which solution must be found. Leaders are praying about the problem, and searching for the solution. It is hoped that this can be found before another year.

Pastor Joe McKeever of Greenville, who has cartooning as an avocation or hobby, has provided us with a number of sketches revealing the humorous side of some convention events and messages. We are publishing three of them for your enjoyment.



"MR. PRESIDENT, THERE ARE THIRTY-FIVE RULES OF ORDER ABOUT WHAT TO DO WHEN WE'RE RUNNING BEHIND TIME... AND NOT A ONE FOR WHEN WE'RE AHEAD OF TIME!"

## NEWEST BOOKS

**TYPES AND EMBLES** by C. H. Spurgeon (Pilgrim Publications, 289 pp., \$3.95). Another of the new series of reprints of all of Spurgeon's printed works. This one includes sixteen sermons preached by the great pulpiteer and pastor in the Metropolitan Tabernacle in London. The subjects in this one are fascinating. Consider The Broad Wall, The Only Door, A Floral Leaf, The Helmet, A Dove—all of these and the other interesting subjects are based upon scripture texts. Taking these unusual texts, the great preacher opens the Word and makes it live in such a way that it is just as appropriate a hundred years after it was preached as it was back in London in the 1860's.

**THE WISDOM OF SOUL WINNING** by Tom Malone (Word of the Lord Publishers, 294 pp., \$4.25). Twelve sermons on soul winning preached in Emmanuel Baptist Church, Pontiac, Michigan. In the messages, the pastor leads his people to see God's purpose and plan of Christian witness. He discusses the responsibility for soul winning that every Christian has, and in the messages, he leads the hearers to determine to be used of God in bringing men to the Lord. These are warm, Bible-based, heart-searching, teaching, appealing messages which should stir souls to spiritual action.

**A SHORTER LIFE OF CHRIST** by Donald Guthrie (Zondervan, paperback, 186 pp., \$2.45). This survey of the life of Christ is an up-to-date account of the background, sources, and historical outline of the life of Jesus Christ. The author is professor of New Testament Studies at London Bible College, England.

**MARRIAGE: DUET OR DISCORD?** by John W. Drakeford (Zondervan, paperback, 128 pp., 95 cents). Here is a readable, authoritative guide to mature marital relationships, a complete documentary on the "how's" of a happy Christian family. Included is a unique chapter on the problems of the mobile family.

## NEW SACRED RECORDS

**AN EVENING PRAYER** — Lew Charles at the Robert Morton Pipe Organ (Word WST -8470-LP) Great organ music, played by a master organist at an incomparable instrument. Some of the most beloved hymns and gospel songs are included such as Overshadowed, Deep River, The Rose of Sharon, It Is Well With My Soul. This is an album you will replay again and again, if you are blessed by organ music.

**PIANO AND ORGAN MELODIES** by Lorne and Jimmie Ruth Matthews (Zondervan, LP 729) Gospel music as played in great revival campaigns and in radio and television broadcasts. Here is popular gospel music played with feeling and dedication. Numbers include Beyond the Sunset, Moment by Moment, Amazing Grace, In The Garden, He Touched Me and other favorites.

**IT IS NO SECRET** — J. T. Adams and the Men of Texas (Word, Stereo, WST -8432-LP) This well-known singing group of Texans, sing to the heart. This new album includes Fill My Cup, Lord, The Last Trump, Sweet Little Jesus Boy, No, Not One, and seven others.

**PARENTHOOD ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES** by Ann and Gary Bonner (Convention Press, paperback, 32 pp.) This booklet is provided to assist the Family Ministry Leader in the Sunday School Adult Departments. It suggests activities for parents of all ages.

**PULPIT IN THE SHADOWS** by Freddie Gage, with Stan Redding (Zondervan, paperback, 95c, 123 pp.) This is the story of Freddie Gage, "The Underworld Preacher," and his ministry, which is dedicated exclusively to reaching youth victims of drug abuse. An ordained Baptist minister, Mr. Gage has conducted more than 500 evangelistic campaigns. His message has been carried on radio and television. He has been called "a minister to the unreachable." His collaborator in the writing of this story, Stan Redding, is tonight reporter for the Houston Chronicle.

**LOVE IS NOW** by Peter E. Gillquist (Zondervan, paperback, 32 pp., 75c) A study manual for groups and individuals, this guide is intended to draw the reader "to the Spirit of God through the Word of God." It is not meant to replace the Bible in home study or other study groups, but rather is to be a supplement and aid in the Bible study.

**THE REASON WHY** by Robert A. Laidlaw (Zondervan, 64 pp., 25 cents) Mr. Laidlaw, Christian businessman of New Zealand, in this little booklet gives his testimony — the reason why he is convinced of God's reality, the reason why he believes in the Bible, in Christ, in divine salvation, in purposeful living, and in credible Christianity. The booklet or tract has an unbelievable success story—ten million copies printed in more than 20 languages. It has been the means of winning people to Christ from many countries all over the world. The story of "The Reason Why" and its success is told in the new book, **THE STORY OF 'THE REASON WHY'** by Robert A. Laidlaw (Zondervan, paperback, 118 pp., 95 cents).

**RANDALL VEASEY SINGS FROM THE HYMNAL** (Americana, AR LPMS 2054) Randall Veasey is an artist of remarkable voice. He can sing on the operatic stage, as well as in a worship service. On this album he presents a sacred concert. Most of the songs are well known such as Whiter Than Snow, There Is A Fountain, Grace Greater Than Our Sins, Just As I am and Others. One or two are not so familiar. But all are presented in clarity and vibrance. Accompaniment is by Max Lyall. Veasey is well known in Mississippi, having served in churches in the state.

**YOU STAND TALL** — Willa Dorsey (Word, Stereo, WST 8473 LP) Do you love sacred spirituals, sung by an outstanding Negro artist? Then you will be blessed by this album. A voice of unusual range, and with full expression of feeling, presents. She presents twelve outstanding spirituals such as My God Is Real, When He Reached Down His Hand, Jesus Did Everything for Me, and Somebody Bigger Than You and I.

**THE GREATEST OF MIRACLES** as played by Dino, accompanied by Orchestra and Chorus. (K & S Pro-



A Woman's World Reaches Far

## Beyond the Ironing Board

Willa Fancher

A long time ago — I'm not sure exactly when nor how—God became very real to me. No time in my memory is void of a sense of belonging to God. Long before I accepted Christ's sacrifice as mine I had a deep sense of God's love for me. Nothing has ever separated me from the sense of that love. I believe His guidance is always on my life—at times I have sensed His hand so real that I have been astonished that I could not touch it.

Sometimes I say nothing spectacular has ever happened to me; I should not say this, for, in a brazenly doubting, rejecting world it is nothing less than spectacular to believe that God is.

I cannot define His form; I cannot bring Him to tangibility. I can only strive to make Him understandable. No vision has been mine. No audible voice have I heard. But, between Him and me there is unmistakable communication. He said that His sheep would know Him and hear His voice. I do.

Our boys have always been expected to behave in church and to do so without the help of other people. Daddy is always in the pulpit, and Mama is nearly always in the choir. As the boys' sitting places gradually moved, a few pews a year, from the front one under Daddy's nose to the balcony with the other kids, a need arose for an effective means of communication between Mama and son — a means completely unobtrusive and unnoticeable — in case temptation should be stronger than the boy's will.

Thus, today, on a rare Sunday, vibration begins in my throat, hops

aboard the proper sound waves and goes directly to its intended receiver — a boy's ear. He gets my message and no one else knows we have communicated. If others did notice the sound, they thought I was clearing my throat. In fact, that's all I was doing. Nevertheless, for the boy who heard, the sound had exact meaning: be still, stop giggling, no more whispering, listen to Daddy — whatever guidance was needed to the boy at that given time. My child knows me and hears my voice.

Just so do I know God and hear His voice. He knows that I need to be reminded of His presence and His love and His rules. I can almost hear Him clear His throat sometimes when temptation coils and rears its fang-tipped head.

The earliest description I heard of the Bible was that it is God's Holy Word. My understanding of the Bible as God's Word grew through the years of Sunday school, a Christian home, a Baptist college, and a theological seminary, to include the concept that God's Word reveals God to man. This sounds far-fetched to many ears. It seems incredible, to lots of folks, for human beings to relate to God through the use of a Book. But to me, the Word of God has been a real means by which God and I keep in touch with each other.

One way I hear His voice — and know it—is that He brings to my mind words from His Book and reveals Himself (and myself, oftentimes) to me. I hear God clear His throat, almost, and I receive His message, whether I am on the front pew or in the balcony.

## THE BAPTIST FORUM

### Express Opposition To Atlanta Seminar

Dear Dr. Odle:

We, the pastor, deacons, and membership of Meadowview Church, Starkville, do hereby make known our opposition to the activities of the Christian Life Commission in the staging of the notorious seminar held in Atlanta, Georgia, in the spring of 1970.

Moreover, it is our desire that no monies contributed by our church shall go to support the activities of

the Christian Life Commission as long as Dr. Foy Valentine and others who arranged the Atlanta seminar are employed by the Southern Baptist Convention.

However, we want to be a part of the Southern Baptist Convention, and shall continue to support the other activities of the Southern Baptist Convention with our prayers and our contributions.

John R. Couch, pastor  
Hubert Stephens,  
chairman of deacons

### Record Article Helps Church To Sell Their Pews

Dear Editor:

We can testify that the Baptist Record is read by Mississippi Baptists!

Following publication last week in the Record of an item about pews we were offering for sale, several different churches in different parts of the state contacted us. We very quickly found someone who was in need of our pews and regret that we did not have enough pews for all those who were interested in them.

We feel very definitely that the Baptist Record offers a service to Baptists of our state and appreciate the help it has been to us.

(Rev.) Jerry C. Tate, Pastor  
West Baptist Church  
West, Mississippi

**PAKISTAN:** Baptist-sponsored broadcasting of gospel songs and sermons in the Bengali language was begun Nov. 3 by the Far East Broadcasting Company's station in Manila, Philippines. Two 15-minute programs will be broadcast every Tuesday, reported Mrs. Helen B. Jones, missionary in Faridpur, East Pakistan.

**PARAGUAY:** Paraguayan Baptists celebrated their 50th anniversary and the 25th anniversary of Southern Baptist mission work in that country during the month of October. Simultaneous evangelistic meetings were scheduled in churches and missions throughout the country.

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# Education Committee Report Is Adopted

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Christian education that is known and respected.

"During its over 130 years, the Mississippi Baptist Convention has not founded a single surviving institution of higher learning. It has acquired three senior colleges and one junior college by adoption. The operation of these institutions has not been without problems, most of which have revolved around financial support."

"We wish we could honestly report that last sentence as now being a condition of the past, but, problems and financial support are still very much a part of the picture of Christian education in Mississippi Baptist life."

With this, and other historical facts as background knowledge, your committee has worked to carry out your commission. We have met frequently through the year. We have called on the knowledge and wisdom of Dr. E. R. Jobe, Dr. R. A. McLemore, the Presidents of our Institutions, and representatives of the Boards of Trustees as we have met with them for information and deliberations. We will ever be in debt to them for their contribution to our committee's work. Dr. McLemore prepared for the Convention two bound volumes containing xerox copies of all significant actions on Christian education of this Convention as they appear in the annuals of the convention from its earliest meetings. Dr. Jobe has met with the committee twice and has made invaluable contribution to our lives and our work.

Your committee has not gone into an updating of statistical data relating to our institutions. A very thorough work was done in that area in 1967. For any interested in that phase of the program, we recommend the reading of the entire report of the Long Range Committee on Christian Education as recorded in the Annual of 1967 appearing on pages 135 to 180. The figures can be easily updated by reading the current reports of the member institutions.

When any attempt is made to re-define the over-all educational purpose of our convention, one must begin with the fact that initially Mississippi Baptists were interested in training "pious young men called to the great and important work of the gospel ministry." At an early date, however, the importance of educating young women, as the mothers of ministers and a God-fearing Baptist membership, was recognized. Still later, the education of missionaries and Christian vocational workers became of special interest. As of now, Mississippi Baptists are still interested in the above named and in the education of young people who will take their places in every part of human endeavor. The purpose is to academically equip the young to excel in their chosen vocations and to make sure they are spiritually prepared to impart their Christian faith through living and witnessing to Christ as Lord of all, wherever they are and whatever their vocation.

**Christian Education Necessary**  
Mississippi Baptists believe Christian education is absolutely essential to the survival and progress of the Christian cause. We also believe the denominational college fills a unique role in the general educational life of the nation. We further believe the ministry of the Baptist college is of intrinsic necessity for the fulfillment of our mission as a denomination. The record of the financial support of Christian education by this Convention indicates we consider it as one of our primary mission tasks within the state.

In order to accomplish its purpose in Christian education, this Conven-

tion has sought to elect a sufficient number of capable Trustees to operate our schools. The trustees have employed highly skilled administrative personnel who in turn have recruited competent and dedicated faculties that have made possible a program of instruction of the highest academic quality in the broadest Liberal Arts curriculum possible in a distinctively Christian atmosphere. Your committee firmly believes this careful selection of trustees for our institutions must continue.

When your committee arrived at the point of recommending "a feasible program of Christian education and the number and type of institutions necessary to carry out this program," we faced forthrightly some facts of life among Mississippi Baptists. Allow us to share some insights.

There are some among us who hold opinions on the subject of Christian colleges that are on opposite extremes. Some are saying that Baptists should get out of the field of higher education as quickly and gracefully as possible. This is based on the high cost of maintaining the program and the ready availability of higher education at tax supported institutions where cost to the students are so much less. It is argued that Baptists can better use the funds now going to Christian education as they could increase mission programs in the state, nation and foreign lands. It is further stated that we could strengthen our Baptist Student ministry on tax supported campuses of the state and thereby effectively reach our Baptist students.

On the opposite extreme are those who would advocate the use of our money resources to adequately fund our colleges and then what remains could be used in our mission programs. The belief of those who hold this view is that if we care for our own they in turn will care for the world mission ministry.

Your committee is in agreement that both extreme positions are out of line with the lessons of history and the thinking of the majority of Mississippi Baptists.

Another thought held by some is that we should concentrate our program on just one or two campuses and close the other schools or turn them over to local Boards of Trustees to operate without Baptist Convention ties.

Your committee has attempted to face this squarely and with realism. In the light of history, as Southern Baptists have written it, conventions have not closed educational institutions by voting to do so. Some schools supported by Southern Baptists have been closed, but not by convention vote. Closing schools has been for reasons such as changing enrollments, and lack of financial support, and other factors.

## Number Considered

The committee has considered most carefully the matter of the number of institutions which should be supported by Mississippi Baptists and feels that in the light of changing trends in higher education no suggestion should be made at this time as to the closing of any one of our present institutions; but the committee recognizes that in the years ahead conditions may dictate that the matter of number of institutions and their relationship to the convention will be a subject of continuing consideration by the convention and the trustees of each institution. Each institution is doing outstanding work in the face of all difficulties besetting private higher education today. Their presidents, trustees, faculties and students de-

serve the highest praise and our increased support.

Another facet of higher education that came under study by your committee was the relation of our institutions to the accrediting agency—the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. We came to realize that many Mississippi Baptists are now familiar with the make up and function of the agency.

The agency is made up of members from the participating schools. When the association was first formed it was largely made up of church supported institutions who drew up guidelines and policies to govern their activities. In the intervening years the growth of tax supported schools and their membership in the association has caused some changes in balance between church-related and tax-supported institutional representation serving in official capacities within the association. But our administrators have distinguished themselves and brought honor to Mississippi Baptists as they have served in the Association. They have a voice in decision making and are being heard.

The Association functions to insure that each student is receiving the education the governing body of the separate institutions desires to provide. Recently the American Association of State Colleges and Universities adopted a statement relating to the problem of administrative powers and responsibilities, and the first principle enunciated was "Before anything else, a college or university (particularly a public one) exists to serve the general society which created it and which supports it; such an institution does not belong to a particular group of persons within that society or within that institution." Dr. Jobe has commented on this as it applies to Mississippi Baptists, by saying, "The principle applies with equal significance in the area of denominational institutions. Mississippi Baptists are the society for which its colleges exist and the Convention is the agent which owns and supports them. It is therefore the function of the Convention to make certain for its constituency that the colleges serve Mississippi Baptists in keeping with the principles of the denomination and the purpose for which the colleges are owned and operated." Therefore we conclude the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools performs a valuable service and we encourage our administrators to participate actively in its program.



John McKay of Texas, soloist



Mrs. Eloise Barnes of Columbia, soloist.



Men's Quartet, Columbus.



First Church, Jackson's choir, Larry Black, music director



Children's Choir, Children's Village, Jackson



Mississippi College Choir, Jack Lyall directing.



"The Treble Teens," Children's Village, Jackson.

## At The Convention

### A Variety Of Music

During the Mississippi Baptist Convention November 10-12, the presentations of special music were varied, including soloists, men's quartets, women's trios, college choirs, church choirs, and groups. Pictures here are representative of the various types.



Dan Hall, director, Church Music Department, congregational song leader.

We further know that accreditation of our institutions is a "must" if our students are to be able to transfer without penalty to other member institutions and to be able to go on to upper levels of graduate study and professional schools.

## Worked Toward Goal

Your committee has worked toward the goal of recommending "a feasible program of Christian education" with the ever present knowledge of the financial situation of the Convention. We are aware of the fact that nearly one fourth (\$1,000,500) of our total budget for All World Missions (\$4,250,000) is scheduled for Christian Education. We have observed, with deep concern, that the gifts of Mississippi Baptists have not yet enabled us to reach our budget goal for this year. We pray that the next month's gifts will put us over our goal. But we feel that our Christian education budget cannot reasonably expect a larger percentage of our total World Missions funds than it now receives. Our best hope for increased funds for our colleges is through enlarged Cooperative Program giving by our churches, increased endowments, and an energetic program of development of private donors to our institutions.

The recommendations of our committee are:

1. We recommend that this Convention give thanks to Almighty God for His evident leadership in establishing and maintaining the program of Christian education of this Convention. Without His providence the program would not have survived.
2. We recommend that this Convention express gratitude to the trustees, administrations, faculties, student bodies and parents for their work in making our schools places of learning where peace and tranquility have prevailed during these times when disruption of education has been the experience of some schools in our nation.
3. We recommend that this Convention commend the Christian Education Commission for its work in correlating the total program of Christian education for our convention. We further recommend that our commission take a more active role in establishing a Presidents' Council with regular meetings of the administrative leadership of the schools; in working with the administrators toward pro-

grams of faculty exchange and sharing of curriculum and campus facilities to avoid costly duplications; and in orientation of trustees as to their responsibilities. (We commend the Commission and the Convention leadership for their setting up such an orientation program on September 17, 1970 and hope this will be an annual meeting of all trustees of our colleges.)

4. We recommend that the Convention request the Education Commission to recommend to the convention criteria for Boards of Trustees of our colleges that will be used by future committees on nominations as they prayerfully seek persons to serve on the boards of our colleges.

5. We recommend that the Convention inaugurate a program designed to give a continuing emphasis to Christian education which will stimulate cooperative giving and thus make possible greater dollar support for our schools. To further help alleviate the money problems of our schools, we recommend that each institution begin a development program to stimulate major giving and bequests to our colleges. Such development programs shall be submitted to the Education Commission in order that they may be coordinated; and the Mississippi Baptist Foundation is requested to furnish aid and assistance in designing, conducting and administering such programs upon request.

## Program Commended

6. We commend the continuation of the capital needs program already voted by the convention to run through 1975, and we recommend that the program be restudied and whatever changes may be deemed wise should be made at that time.
7. We recommend that our institutions not begin any new graduate programs of instruction except on approval of their trustees and the Education Commission.
8. We recommend the Convention continue to strengthen the Baptist Student work at tax-supported colleges, both Junior and Senior institutions.
9. We recommend that the Presidents of Mississippi Baptist colleges personally attend the meetings of the Southern Association of Colleges and schools and that they use their continuing influence, in coordination with representatives of other similarly supported institutions,

in order to insure that the principles under which these institutions were organized and are operating be preserved and maintained.

Respectfully submitted,  
Perry Claxton  
Hardy Denham  
W. Levon Moore  
Alex McKeigney  
Beverly Tinnin  
Joe Tuten  
Brooks H. Wester, Chairman

## Special Choir Festival Planned In Israel

Mr. Jacob Goren, Director of the Israel Government Tourist Office in Atlanta, Georgia has announced plans for a special choir festival to be held in Israel December 21-30, 1970.

Ten church, high school and college singing groups are planning to participate. Each will perform in a special concert on Christmas Eve in Bethlehem Square. State radio and television will cover the event. A new Christmas Folk Musical will be performed in a joint concert in Jerusalem Christmas night. Another concert will be held in Nazareth.

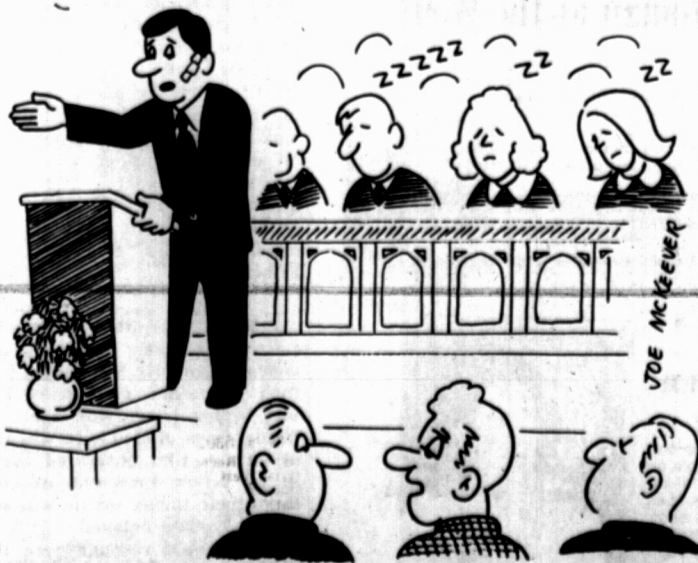
An Israeli Folklore Program is planned for the participants with extensive sightseeing of the country and opportunity to personally meet Israeli youth.

During their stay in Israel, college students can earn academic transfer credit at the Hebrew University. Low student group rates are available. Arrangements for the festival are being coordinated through Meir International Study League, 1209 Redbud Drive, Hurst, Texas 76053.

## SMOKING MORE HAZARDOUS THAN OVERWEIGHT

In an article "The Simple Secrets of Losing Weight" by Dr. Jean Mayer, professor of nutrition at Harvard, her reply to the statement, "Many people say they would like to stop smoking, but when they cut down or eliminate smoking they put on weight," is as follows: The penalties for cigarette smoking are so tremendous in terms of health that it would take enormous amounts of overweight to be as dangerous. At certain ages, two packs of cigarettes a day can be as toxic as 100 pounds of extra weight.

DR. PORTER ROUTH TOLD OF A SPEAKER WHO HAD BEEN CONCENTRATING ON HIS SERMON WHILE SHAVING AND CUT HIS FACE—



"TOO BAD HE DIDN'T CONCENTRATE ON HIS FACE AND CUT HIS SERMON!"



# Agency Trustees Named

The report of the Committee on Nominations was adopted by the Mississippi Baptist Convention on Wednesday morning. The report, which follows, includes new members only:

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Term Expires 1973

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Term Expires 1973

Mrs. Carol Gartin, Laurel; Wiley Fairchild, Hattiesburg; T. Lewis Fowler, Jr., Hattiesburg; Glenn Pear-son, Hattiesburg; C. M. Wells, Can-ton.

## Aberdeen Honors Fancher Family

First Church, Aberdeen, under di-rection of the deacons and their fam-ilies, Sunday evening, Nov. 1, hono-red their pastor, Rev. James Fancher, and his family with a surprise recep-tion on the 4th anniversary of their pastorate in Aberdeen.

At the close of the worship service, Bob Kelly, chairman of deacons, presented the Fanchers with a silver and crystal lazy Susan, a gift of the church.

Afterwards the worshippers were invited to the social hall for the re-ception.

A huge cake inscribed with "Four Years with the Fanchers, First Baptist, Aberdeen, Miss. makes us the Luckiest Church in the World" cen-tered the table.



Kermit King, director, Church Training Department, presided during the Youth Night program at the Coliseum in Jackson on Thursday night, November 12.



Ed Seabough, associate secretary, Department of Missionary Personnel, Home Mission Board, well-known writer and worker with students, was the speaker.



John Laughlin, music director, First Church, Meridian, led the singing.

## Youth Night At The Coliseum



The Procession of Flags carried out by Royal Ambassadors contributed a note of patriotism to the program. Paul Harrell, associate, Brotherhood Department, was in charge of this impressive feature.



The Coliseum holds from 10,000 to 12,000 and it was jammed for Youth Night. At least a couple of thousand more had to remain outside, it was estimated. Many young people made decisions during the closing invitation (see above).

## Youth Singers Present "I Wonder"

The Youth Singers of Colonial Heights Church, Jackson presented the music-drama, "I Wonder," during the evening worship service Sunday, November 15, under direction of Mrs. Hubert Pray.

Ronald K. Wells, minister of music at First Church, Spartanburg, South Carolina, is the lyricist and compos-er.

Instrumental accompanists were Debbie Dendy, piano; Mrs. Hubert Pray, organ; Mike Walters, trumpet; Ricky Stubblefield, guitar; and Buster Pray, drums.

The professor (the main character in the drama) was portrayed by Thad Smith, Colonial Heights youth direc-tor, and a senior at Mississippi Col-lege. Art work was by Thomas Town-send.

Vocal and verbal soloists were Rob-bie Camp, Sam Mason III, Jim Evans, Barbara Jo Charles, Jody Cau-sey, Sky Jones, Tim Sullivan, Bess Robertson, Ellen Parks, Jim Coles, and Shelia Martin.

## Committee On Committees

The convention Tuesday afternoon adopted the report of the Committee on Committees, Dr. Bob Simmons, Meridian, chairman. New members on the committees are as follows:

**Order of Business:** Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr., Hattiesburg; Rev. Frank Gunn, Forest.

**Baptist Record Advisory:** Pur-ser Hewitt, Jackson; Rev. Hardy Den-ham, Newton.

**Resolutions:** Dr. Books Wester, Hat-tiesburg; Dr. Beverly Tinnin, Meri-dian; Rev. Harold Kitchings, Kosciusko; Rev. Leon B. Young, Meridian; Dr. Fuller B. Saunders, Jackson.

**Constitution & By-Laws:** Bruce Aul-tman, Hattiesburg; Dr. R. A. McLe-more, Clinton; Dr. John Traylor, Gulfport; Dr. S. R. Woodson, Colum-bus; Rev. Carless Evans, Picaune.

**Nominations:** Dr. W. Levon Moore, Pontotoc; Rev. Lucius Marion, Clarksdale; Rev. Tommy Hudson, Jackson; Rev. Howard Aultman, Col-umbia; Cooper Walton, Jackson.

**Time, Place, & Preacher:** Dr. Wy-att Hunter, McComb; Dr. Gail De-Bord, Long Beach; Rev. Tom Ray-burn, Booneville; Dr. Wayne Cole-man, Oxford; Paul Moak, Jackson.



HORACE KERR, recording secretary, Mississippi Baptist Convention, keeps an account of Convention pro-ceedings.

## Dr. Myers To Teach "Letters Of John"

Pastors and other staff members and lay persons are invited to hear Dr. Charles E. Myers teach "The Letters of John" on Tuesday, November 24, at 9:00 a.m. in Room M-117 of First Church, Jackson.

Dr. Myers holds the A. B. degree from Baylor University and Th.M. and Th.D. degrees from South-western Seminary. He served as pastor of the First Church, Sulphur, Oklahoma for eight years; First Church, McKinney, Texas for eleven years; and First Church, McAlester, Oklahoma for seven years. For the past two years he has been pastor of Alta Woods Church, Jackson.

Anyone outside the Hinds-Mad-ison Association is invited to hear Dr. Myers teach the January Bible Study Book. Write or call Fred Tarp-ley, P. O. Box 4686, Jackson, Miss. 39206 if you want a reservation for lunch.

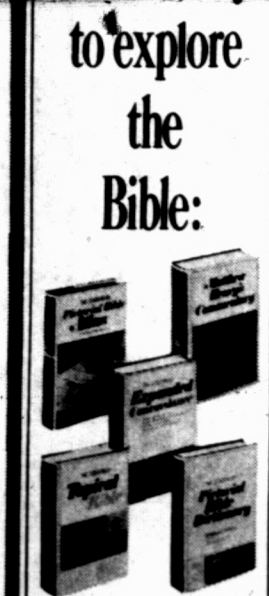
## CAMPUS UNREST AND DRINKING

The College and University Bulletin of the American Association for High-er Education quotes Alexander Astin of factors contributing to campus un-rest. Dr. Astin's report, based on a stratified survey of 472 colleges and universities, of which 382 responded, was released by the American Coun-cil on Education of which Astin is Director of Research. Astin said that among other factors, these "protest-prone" institutions had relatively per-missive policies concerning student drinking.

provided to those needing assis-tance, advice, counsel, and en-couragement, for 'he walked the com-mon lanes, the city street he trod, and in his heart was beauty, the beauty born of God.' He was the kind of deacon who possessed confidence in his fellow man and expected of them their finest, for he was a friend and a brother beloved.

"We cannot recount here the rec-ord of his many contributions, but pause to give God thanks and pray that we shall realize that 'God may take the workers to Himself, but the work goes on!'"

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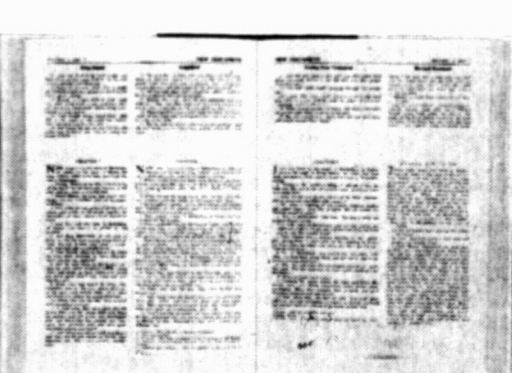
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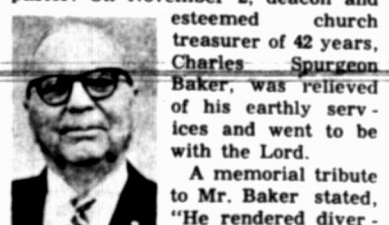
## Gilfoy Sends Books To Gaza

Mrs. Katherine Cain, R.N., director of student health and librarian, Gilfoy School of Nursing, Mississippi Baptist Hospital, looks over nursing textbooks being sent, by the hospital, to a nursing school at a hospital in the Gaza Strip area (now under Israeli military control) supported by the Baptist Foreign Mission Board. The books—numbering some 250 texts and manuals—were sent as a project of the school initiated by Dr. D. J. VanLandingham, of the medical staff of Mississippi Baptist Hospital.

## Deacon, Treasurer, Dies At Senatobia

"This church year has been mark-ed by a tragic loss to First Church, Senatobia," says Rev. John Flowers, pastor. On November 2, deacon and esteemed church treasurer of 42 years, Charles Spurgeon Baker, was relieved of his earthly serv-ices and went to be with the Lord.

A memorial tribute to Mr. Baker stated, "He rendered diver-sified service in the church and community. A man of vision, he had served with the build-ing committee for two major expan-sion programs of the church. He challenged the youth as a Sun-day School teacher. As an active prom-oter of work among the youth the recreational program was greatly strengthened through the develop-ment of a lighted softball diamond and other recreational activities. "A person, easily approached, he



Charles Spurgeon Baker, deacon and treasurer of First Church, Senatobia.

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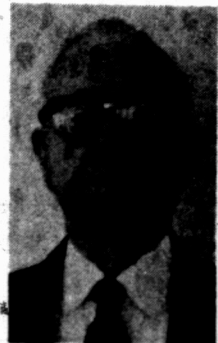
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of his teaching, and in devotion to  
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Robert L. Cooper, of Aberdeen, who  
celebrated his 81st birthday on No-  
vember 12, has for 61 years been ac-  
tive in the field of sacred music. He



entered the  
gospel song  
ministry in  
1900 and the  
greater part  
of his time  
since then has  
been spent in  
evangelistic  
work.

Mr. Cooper  
studied at Mo-  
ody Bible In-  
stitute in Chi-  
cago, at New  
Orleans Sem-  
inary, and at Southwestern Sem-  
inary. He has been associated with some of  
Southern Baptists' great leaders, such  
as Dr. George W. Truett, Dr. T. L.  
Holcomb, Dr. James Leavell, and  
Dr. Roland Leavell, Dr. W. A. Hew-  
itt, Dr. Wallace Bassett, and others.  
With many of these he shared the  
program platform, he as soloist, they  
as speakers.

Rev. J. P. Harrington, who organ-  
ized Parkway Church, Jackson, was  
the first pastor Mr. Cooper ever as-  
sisted in a revival meeting, as re-  
vival singer.

A composer, Mr. Cooper has had  
published a book of his compositions  
entitled, *Cooper's Best Songs*. In his  
gospel song ministry he has worked  
in 17 states. He is still active in the  
music ministry. At present he leads  
the singing regularly at two different  
churches, one on Sundays and another  
on Wednesday nights.

## Mission Professor To Speak At Summit

Dr. Helen Falls, Professor of Mis-  
sions at New Orleans Seminary, who  
has traveled extensively in 25 coun-  
tries on four contin-  
ents visiting mission  
work, will speak at  
the annual missions  
banquet of First  
Church, Summit, Sat-  
urday, November 28  
at 7:00 p.m. She will  
also bring the mes-  
sage during the morn-  
ing worship ser-  
vice, Sunday, November 29, at 11:00  
a.m. This day has been designated as  
Foreign Missions Day at the Summit  
Church and it will serve as the first  
day in a campaign to raise \$2,000.00  
for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offer-  
ing for Foreign Missions. The special  
emphasis will be concluded on Sun-  
day night with a showing of the full  
length color motion picture, "The Bill  
Wallace Story."



The church has a training mission.  
Christ, the Head of the church, has  
ordained that the leaders of the  
church should train the members of  
the church for work in the service of  
Christ. Paul's reference to different  
kinds of leaders—apostles, prophets,  
evangelists, pastors, and teachers—  
should likely be applied to functions  
of leadership more than to different  
offices. Such leaders are to serve the  
church in equipping the saints—that is,  
God's people—to do God's work in the  
world. The aim, ultimately, is the  
building up of the body of Christ or  
the building up of the church that it  
may be true to its nature and effective  
in its work. All Christians are to be  
engaged in ministry, not the vocation  
of the ordained ministry, but the vocation  
of service to follow Christians  
and to unbelievers in keeping with  
the purposes of the gospel.

Full Christian Maturity  
Eph. 4:13-16  
The goal for every Christian should  
be full maturity in Christ. Training  
and growth are essential to the  
achievement of this goal. In striving  
to achieve the goal, we must be keenly  
conscious of our unity in the body  
of Christ. Our unity is strengthened by  
fulness of faith and fullness of knowl-  
edge. Thus we strive to grow up to  
mature manhood marked by strong  
trust in God, full obedience to the  
will of God, purity of motive and ac-  
tion, unselfishness and compassion to-  
ward other persons, courage to face  
danger, fortitude in suffering, and a  
zeal for the kingdom of God. These  
are aspects of likeness to Christ and  
mature manhood in Christ. Thus, we  
shall not be like immature children,  
unstable and unable to stand against  
the winds of false doctrine or to with-  
stand cunning and craft deceivers  
about religion and life. Instead, we  
shall be firmly anchored in our com-

Morrison Chapel, Cleveland: Nov-  
ember 15-20; services nightly at 7:30;  
Rev. Roy Raddin, pastor. Second  
Church, Greenville, evangelist; Lewis  
Criswell of Emmanuel, Cleveland,  
music director; Mrs. J. R. Harland,  
organist; Mrs. Lewis Criswell, pian-  
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din will show films of his trip to the  
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## Growing Toward Tomorrow

I Thess. 4:13-5:23  
By Bill Duncan

Tomorrow seemed so long away  
yesterday. There were so many  
things that could not be done. Yet the  
time has moved us so  
close now that there  
is not time for



for us happening  
that will come our  
way? Of course we  
do not know what is  
going to happen. But  
as Christians, we need  
to be prepared. There is one thought  
that can help us prepare our home,  
going to be with the Lord. Death is the  
means of escape from the world into  
eternity. For the Christian who has  
trusted Jesus Christ as Saviour and  
Lord there is that great assurance of  
hope. The Second Coming of Christ  
will be a great day of glory for the  
Christians. The believers will be  
caught up from this world to share  
eternally evermore.

Yet the Second Coming presented a  
problem for the church. Will the ones  
who have died share the glory of the  
Second coming or do they have to wait  
until another day?

Read I Thess. 4:15B, "We which  
are alive and remain unto the coming  
of the Lord shall not prevent them  
which are asleep. For the Lord him-  
self shall descend from Heaven with a  
shout, with the voice of the archangel,  
and with the trumpet of God and the  
dead in Christ shall rise first: Then  
we which are alive and remain shall  
rise first: Then we which are alive  
and remain shall be caught up to-  
gether with them in the clouds to meet  
the Lord in the air and shall we ever  
be with the Lord."

There is one hope for those who  
have died and those who survive. The  
pagans face death in despair for they  
are helpless and hopeless. Aeschylus  
wrote: "Once a man dies there's no  
resurrection." This man never knew  
what we Christians know. When a per-  
son died who was a pagan, what com-  
fort could be given? Because Jesus  
Christ lived and died and rose again,  
so the man who is one with Christ  
will live and die and rise again. There  
is nothing that can destroy this rela-  
tionship. If a man has lived and died  
in Christ, he is still in Christ and he  
will rise in Christ.

Therefore, when the Christian looks  
toward death, he has hope. When the  
Christian looks toward the Second  
Coming, he has hope that he will  
share the glory of that day.

The Day of the Lord was discussed  
by Joel, Malachi, Isaiah and other  
prophets of the Old Testament. They  
spoke of it in three ways. (1) It was  
to be sudden. (2) It would be a time  
of judgment. (3) It was to accompany  
cosmic changes in the universe.

Paul identified the Day of the Lord  
with the Second Coming of Jesus  
Christ. He too looked for the three  
things about the Day. The coming of  
the Day will be sudden. The thief  
comes when man is least prepared.  
Jesus said no man knew when that  
day or hour would be, that even He  
did not know, that only God knew.  
There is no reason why a man should  
be caught unaware and unprepared.  
The Christian who lives all his life  
prepared and aware of Christ's Sec-  
ond Coming will not be surprised.

No one knows when Christ may  
come or that death may claim him.

Therefore things should not be left to  
the last moment. The parable of the  
wise Bridesmaids bears this out.

As you read I Thess. 5:14 you see  
those who will need special attention  
if they are grown up to the hour of  
the Second Coming. (1) "Warn the  
sluggards!"

quitters. (2) "Cheer the faint-hearted!"  
—the faint-hearted brothers who fear  
the worst. (3) "Cling to the weak." In-  
stead of letting the weak brother  
drift away and finally vanish altogeth-  
er, the church should make a delibera-  
te attempt to hold him where he can-  
not escape. (4) "Be patient toward all  
men." This is a secret that a teaching  
church needs to have. All men will  
not grow properly.

What should be some guides for  
preparation for the Day of the Lord?  
In verse 16-18 you find three ideas  
that are helpful — "Be Happy," "Be  
prayerful," "Be thankful." The Chris-  
tians need to keep away from any-  
thing that would be called evil by  
Christ. Go and listen to the man of  
God preach. A person who is looking  
forward to the coming of Christ should  
allow the Spirit to have full control  
of his life.

There is a lot to be done if we are  
to be prepared for the Day of the  
Lord. Time is short when compared  
to the longest life. But what if the  
Day of the Lord were today?

## Baptist Professor, Two Students Killed In Automobile Crash

JEFFERSON CITY, Tenn. (BP) —  
A physics professor at Carson - New-  
man College here, his son and a close  
friend, were killed when their car  
was demolished by an oncoming au-  
tomobile.

Dead were Paul J. Haig, 43, his  
son, Joseph 19, and David Gilbert.  
Both the boys were sophomores at the  
Baptist school, and David lived with  
the Haigs as "part of the family."

Funeral services for Haig and his  
son were held at the First Baptist  
Church here, Nov. 5, and services for  
Gilbert were conducted at the Gulf-  
port, Fla., Methodist Church, Nov. 6.

A native of Ohio, Haig is a grad-  
uate of the University of Florida and  
Miami University, Oxford, Ohio.

## Mt. Carmel Joins EFP

The Mount Carmel Church, Leake  
County Association, received eight ad-  
ditions to the church during October,  
and adopted the Every Family Plan  
of the Baptist Record. Rev. A. A.  
Ward is the pastor.

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## Mt. Pleasant Dedicates Sanctuary

Mt. Pleasant Church, Route 3, Bogue Chitto, in Lincoln County, dedicated  
a new building (shown above) on Sunday, November 15. Homecoming day  
was observed in connection with the dedication and noteburning.

A former pastor of the church, Rev. Gayle Alexander, preached the  
dedication sermon at the morning worship service.

In the afternoon, following lunch in the Fellowship Hall of the church,  
all former pastors were recognized, and special music was presented. Chair-  
men of the Finance Committee and Building Committee made reports. Then  
just prior to the noteburning, Rev. Charles Coney, pastor, gave a brief  
address, and Rev. Jewel Kyzar led in the dedicatory prayer.

## FOREIGN MISSIONS RUMOR #38

"missionaries go  
overseas to start  
southern baptist  
churches"



### FACT:

It's surprising how many  
people believe this is our  
basic function. To be an  
agency for the develop-  
ment of an international  
Southern Baptist  
Convention. Actually, our  
purpose is quite different.  
Missionaries are sent  
overseas to develop a

local Baptist witness. One that reflects the needs of  
their people. Not the needs of our people.  
In foreign missions we share ourselves and our  
experience in Christ with developing and maturing  
Baptist bodies. We are there to assist. Not to dictate.  
Foreign missions is not a ministry of transplanting but  
one of planting. Presenting the gospel and allowing it  
to take root in a "foreign" soil.

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## Devotional

## Caring

By Louis Smith, Pastor, Briarwood, Jackson

"And He took care of him." Luke 10:34

We live in a very impersonal society where people do not show concern as they once did. We do not even talk to people or visit them out of the sheer joy of having fellowship. Speaking to strangers has found its way out of our long line of traditional "folksy things." Although I did hear this week of a couple from California having difficulty understanding why some people waved at them as they drove around the neighborhood and city. They had not been accustomed to this. Maybe all is not lost!

My real concern is that we may be losing the Christian responsibility of caring. With our busy schedules and numerous activities we run the risk of growing cold toward others. Perhaps, perhaps...

There is never any mistake about Jesus attitude toward people. His feeling of compassion touched everything he did with such unquestionable force that even his chief critics retreated in amazement. For the first time the Jewish people had someone who really cared about their emotional, physical, and spiritual needs. Every little person saw their needs and problems become priorities to the Saviour.

At the Southern Baptist Convention in Atlantic City I was seated at the counter of a small corner cafe after a morning convention session. Not realizing that I was one of "those Baptists", the waiter and a cab driver started a conversation. The waiter asked if the Baptist preachers tipped very good. The driver quickly answered, "No! All they do is smile and say, 'God bless you!'" Although this probably carries little truth, it reminds me of the words of James when he said: "If a brother or sister be naked and in lack of daily food, and one of you say to them, go in peace, be ye warmed, and filled; and yet you give them not the things needful for the body; what doeth it profit? (James 2:15-16)." To the true Christian, caring is more than saying, "God bless you, and I hope you get what you need." Faith, if it is faith at all, is caring with action as its inseparable companion. It is when it demands something from us that it is genuine care. The Hallmark Card Company made millions with the slogan, "When you care enough to send the very best." Sounds like they're stealing our show!

A man bumped into a little boy wandering through the streets late one night. It was found that the boy was looking for food for his mother, brothers and sisters. The man purchased a good supply of food, accompanied the boy home, and watched the family satisfy their hunger. As he prepared to leave, the little boy looked at him and asked, "Mister, are you Jesus?" None of us would even dare entertain the thought that we are worthy of this name. Yet, it was at Antioch that the believers were accused of acting like Christ, and we exalt them. If through the work we do, people are able to link us with the biblical Jesus, we should never mind that kind of name calling. The world still turns its head to look when the "Christ-people" care enough to become involved in sharing their faith through action.

## Calvary, Pascagoula To Dedicate Sanctuary

Dedication services will be held Sunday, November 22, at Pascagoula's Calvary Church for the new sanctuary with Dr. W. D. Huggins as speaker. Dinner will be served at noon and the public is invited. Rev. Byron Mathis is the pastor.

**BRAZIL:** Of 11 women who graduated Nov. 12 at the Seminary for Christian Educators in Recife, Brazil, six will be appointed missionaries by the home and foreign mission boards of the Brazilian Baptist Convention. One will work in Mozambique, a Portuguese territory in East Africa, and five will serve in religious social work and education in Brazil. Of the five other graduates, one will become religious education director in Brazil's oldest Baptist church, First Baptist in Salvador, and another will direct the religious ministry of an extensive social work project in the state of Bahia.

## 6 Southern Presbyteries Oppose Merger

ATLANTA (RNS)—Six presbyteries of the Presbyterian Church, U.S. (Southern), have adopted similarly worded resolutions opposing merger of the denomination with the United Presbyterian Church.

The resolutions also oppose any "dilution" of the doctrinal standards set forth in the Westminster Confession of Faith or the Church's ordination vows.

Presbyteries taking the action in meetings this fall were East Alabama, Central Mississippi, Asheville (N.C.), Bethel (S.C.), Harmony (S.C.), and South Carolina.

The denomination's General Council has named a nine-man committee to consider "ways and means in which this challenge must be faced."

Though the resolutions contain slight variations in text, all indicate they will not enter into a union with the United Presbyterian Church.

## Moves To Utah

Rev. Bill Patton has resigned as pastor of Pleasant Hill Church, Quitman, to accept the pastorate of First Church, Vernal, Utah.

Mr. Patton moved to Pleasant Hill in April, 1968 from Westwood Church in Meridian where he served as associate pastor.

He surrendered to preach at Mt. Horeb Church in Meridian on Jan. 22, 1967. He attended Clarke College, Jones County Jr. College, and William Carey College.

Mrs. Patton is the former Linda Fay Gibson of Meridian. They have two daughters, Dawn, 6, and Billie, 4. The address of the church in Vernal is Box 415, Zip Code 84078.

## Waveland Calls Pastor

Rev. Joe Davis has accepted the call to serve as pastor of First Church, Waveland. He is the son of J. M. Davis of Florida and Mrs. Jeff Whaley of Meridian.

A graduate of Meridian High School, Meridian Jr. College, William Carey College, and New Orleans Seminary, he has served as pastor of Liberty Church in Toomsba. While in college he was active in B.S.U. and served as a student summer missionary to California in 1964.

He is married to the former Ellen Brown, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Brown of Route 3, Clayton, Ala. She is a graduate of Clayton High School and Troy State University. Rev. and Mrs. Davis have one son, Steven, two.

## Names In The News

Dr. Jack Lyall, chairman of the Division of Fine Arts at Mississippi College, will represent the college at the 46th annual meeting of the National Association of Schools of Music scheduled for New Orleans, La., Nov. 23-25. Some 400 member schools will be represented by the deans and division chairmen in most of the colleges and universities throughout the country, and by the administrative heads of conservatories. In addition to being the official representative of Mississippi College, Dr. Lyall will also be the toastmaster of the annual NASM banquet.

Rev. John W. Campbell has resigned as pastor of the Good Hope Church, Leakey.

available for supply work. He is the sales manager of M.W. Mobile Living, Inc., Forest (Phone 469-4803).

Jerry Miller, a native of Lucedale, is the new minister of music at Ashland Avenue Church in Covington, Kentucky. He assumed this position October 18. Mr. Miller has served churches in Mississippi, Louisiana, Alabama, and Ohio. He is a graduate of Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary and is currently pursuing the Doctor of Music Arts degree at the University of Cincinnati Conservatory of Music. He was a member of the New Orleans Concert Choir when in seminary. During his ministry at the Eighty-Fifth Street Baptist Church in Birmingham he was a member of the Birmingham Civic Opera. In 1965 he won the Metropolitan Opera Audition of the Southeastern region. He has a record album "The Wonder of It All." Jerry is married to the former Rose Ella Chenevert of Morganza, Louisiana, a registered nurse.

Six young women at Blue Mountain College have been selected for listing in the 1970-71 volume of WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES. Kaye Wallace of Slaughter, La., president of the Baptist Student Union; Eleanor Griffin of Calhoun City, vice-president of the Student Government Association; Shirley Mohundro of Memphis, president of the Student Government Association; Teresa Neaves of Saltillo, prosecuting attorney for the Student Government Association and president of the Scribblers Club; Neil Thigpen of Charleston, S.C., president of the Vivace Club, and Nancy Puryear Brock of Blue Mountain and Coldwater, president of the campus chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

## MUSIC

### State Young Musicians' Choral Festival

(Formerly State Junior Choral Festival)  
Saturday, April 3, 1971  
Coliseum, Jackson

**MUSIC FOR THE FESTIVAL WILL BE:**  
"The Earth Is Hushed in Silence"  
"Alleluia, Hearts to Heaven"  
"O Bright Easter Day"  
"Children of the Heavenly Father"  
"God Careth for Me"

"Children of the Heavenly Father"  
"God Careth for Me"

A fun number to be sung will be "Boat of Jade," Broadman No. 451-679, price \$35.

Music may be ordered from the Baptist Book Store, Jackson.  
**GUEST CONDUCTOR:** Gerald Armstrong, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville.

### Speaks At S. McComb

## Indonesian Pilot Visits Hometown Of Missionary Who Won Him To Christ

South McComb Church, McComb, had as special guest speaker on Sunday, November 8, Lt. Yos Selah of Indonesia. Lt. Selah, a jet pilot of the Indonesian Air Force, is stationed at Keesler Air Force Base, where he is one of two engineers from Indonesia, and a part of the program whereby the U. S. Government permits men from other nations to train at Keesler. Lt. Selah was won to the Christian

faith through the efforts of Southern Baptist missionary, Rev. John Smith of Bogie Chitto, Mississippi, who works with students in Indonesia.

After his conversion, the young man often expressed a desire to come to Bogie Chitto, Mississippi, to the home of the missionary who had told him of Jesus Christ. When he was sent to the United States for training, he thought that maybe he would be able to visit Bogie Chitto.

One weekend he was guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Moore in Mobile. When they heard his wish to visit Missionary Smith's hometown, they answered with elation, "We'll be glad to take you to Bogie Chitto, for it is only ten miles south of McComb, and we are from McComb. We used to be members of South McComb Church, where Rev. John Smith's brother and sister, Thomas Smith and Mrs. F. D. Carr, are still members!"

Thus it happened that Lt. Yos Selah spoke in a Sunday morning service at South McComb Church. This young former Moslem told of his conversion experience. He told of Southern Baptist work in his country. Rev. David Millican, pastor, says, "There was a tremendous response to the man's message, for in him the people could actually see the result of missions at work." (Pleasant Hill, Lincoln County, was Rev. John Smith's home church.)

After completing his training at Keesler in January, Lt. Yos Selah will return to Indonesia.

## For people

## Convention Exhibits



Each year at Convention time, the Baptist colleges, the hospital, the Children's Village, and the Convention Board departments, arrange displays and exhibits in the Fellowship Hall of First Church, Jackson. In the same area, the Baptist Book Store displays and sells books during Convention week. Pictured here are a few of the exhibits.



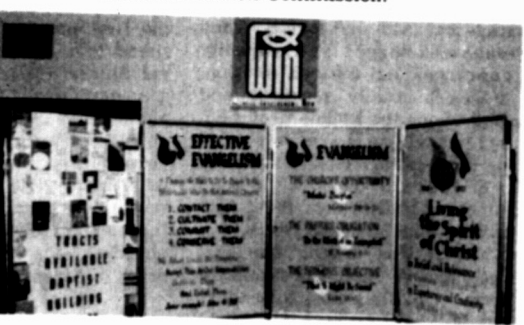
Church Training Department.



Historical Commission.



Christian Action Commission.



The Evangelism Department.

The Stewardship Department served coffee to convention-goers. Behind the counter at left is Rev. John Alexander, director of the department. Standing beside him is his secretary, Mrs. Shirley Dyess.



William Carey College displayed a pearl in an oyster shell: "Christian Higher Education, A Pearl of Great Price."



Charles Clark, left, new Baptist Book Store manager, sells a book to Rev. W. C. Gann, superintendent of missions, Prentiss-Tishomingo Counties.



## Mr. Winders Guest At Clarke Chapel

FROM LEFT, Hal Bates, Jolyn Gomillion, Rev. J. B. Costlow, Lavelle Mizell, Rev. Ralph Winders. State B.S.U. Director Ralph Winders of Jackson, visited the Clarke campus recently and was guest speaker in the chapel assembly. His subject was "Possessing What God Has Provided." Assisting in welcoming Mr. Winders were J. B. Costlow, BSU director; Hal Bates, BSU president; Lavelle Mizell, B.Y.W. president; and Jolyn Gomillion, women's dormitory president. Miss Gomillion only a few days previously in a chapel program had assisted in setting a goal for the Clarke offering for Foreign Missions in December.



Dr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Hill

## Hill Begins Directorship At Spanish Publishing House

Dr. Thomas W. Hill is the new general director of the Baptist Spanish Publishing House, El Paso, Texas.

Dr. Hill is the third person to fill this post in the 65-year history of the publishing house, an institution operated under the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Like his predecessors, Dr. Hill is a missionary. He succeeds Dr. Frank W. Patterson who, after 27 years in the post, is moving, with Mrs. Patterson, to new literature promotion responsibilities in the Spanish-speaking countries of Latin America.

The directorship passed from Dr. Patterson to Dr. Hill in an impressive ceremony witnessed by publishing house staff, representatives

of many of the national Baptist conventions the institution serves, and an estimated 500 friends from El Paso and the neighboring Juarez area in Mexico.

Dr. Hill, a native of South Carolina, comes to this new post from six years experience as book editor at the Baptist Spanish Publishing House. Before his appointment by the Foreign Mission Board, he was pastor of the Woolmarket Church, Biloxi from 1953-1956.

Mrs. Hill, the former Cornice Winter of Grenada, is a graduate of Mississippi College ('51) and New Orleans Seminary. Before appointment as a missionary, she taught school in Natchez, Gulfport, and Biloxi.



## "Life" To Be Produced Second Time By Long Beach Youth

PICTURED above is the cast of the production of "Life," a youth musical from First Church, Long Beach. The cast did five performances in their church and one in the Hazelhurst Methodist church to packed audiences. Those six performances reaped a total of 183 decisions, more than 20 of which were for baptism. Due to many requests, the director

Charles Red and the cast are going to do the production again for two nights, Saturday, Nov. 21, and Sunday, Nov. 22, at 8:15. The place of the production is the Jeff Davis Elementary School Auditorium, just one block north of the First Baptist Church, Long Beach. The pastor, Dr. Gail DeBord, and the cast invite the public to attend.